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Enclosed is an Amendment and Response to the Official Action Mailed September 2, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time
- A copy of the Change of Power of Attorney, Change of Correspondence Address and Statement Under 37 Under C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) is also enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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Total Claims	18	Minus 48 =	0	x \$18.00 =	
Independent Claims	3	Minus 6 =	0	x \$88.00 =	
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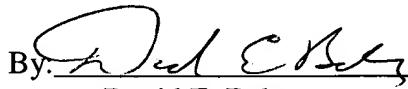
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated September 2, 2004 in the above-referenced application ("Application"). The Applicants respectfully request that the Application be reconsidered in view of the amendments to the claims and the Remarks beginning on page 5 of this paper.

Please amend the claims in accordance with the list beginning on page 2.